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To: Wagner, Amy [Wagner.Amy@epa.gov]; Nagle, Greg [Nagle.Greg@epa.gov]

CC: AUBUCHON, ELIZABETH [aubuchon.elizabeth@epa.gov] Subject: RE: Oil and Gas Platform Sampling March 6-10 Inspections

Sounds good, Amy.

Here are some details:

Hotel -

The Fess Parker

633 E Cabrillo Blvd, Santa Barbara, CA 93103

Definite platforms to Sample: Platform Gail (Tuesday) Platform Elly (Thursday)

I know about the analysis hang up regarding a late-in-the-week sampling. We can discuss if it's even worthwhile. Again, I may be able to sample on Monday morning, but no promises. If I did sample on Monday morning it would be something like:

Platform Hogan Platform A

Platform B

Platform Hillhouse

I'll give you a call tomorrow afternoon. Say around 3pm?

Thanks, Colby

From: Wagner, Amy

Sent: Monday, February 27, 2017 2:46 PM

To: Tucker, Colby <Tucker.WilliamC@epa.gov>; Nagle, Greg <Nagle.Greg@epa.gov>

Cc: AUBUCHON, ELIZABETH <aubuchon.elizabeth@epa.gov>

Subject: Re: Oil and Gas Platform Sampling March 6-10 Inspections

Hi Colby,

I requested historical data you need from Rich Bauer and Jack Berges who are project managers. I told them that you need the data by Wed this week if possible. It should be pretty easy to query the historical data, but I don't think we have any data for Eureka and Ellen. We haven't historically sampled there since we are usually only interested in the discharge which is at Elly.

The easiest for equipment is for us to ship the samples down your hotel or BSEE, whatever works best for you. Just let us know what platforms since each has a specific set of bottles based on different chemical constituents sampled at each platform. A call tomorrow could help us get the details down - I'll be available after 12 noon, but I think Greg will be in the field.

Amy

From: Tucker, Colby

Sent: Monday, February 27, 2017 2:18:54 PM

To: Wagner, Amy; Nagle, Greg **Cc:** AUBUCHON, ELIZABETH

Subject: RE: Oil and Gas Platform Sampling March 6-10 Inspections

Hi Amy and Greg,

Bummer to hear about the BSEE snafu with ice. I hope that I can help bridge whatever gap is necessary for us to fulfill the work plan.

I'll be heading to the field on this Friday, so is there any chance to have that conversation before then? I think I remember that there is a shipment of supplies from the lab to 75 Hawthorne on Wednesday's. Perhaps we can put the necessary supplies on there and hope that we touch base on Thursday or Friday? (I could talk in the car on my way down.)

I am aware of the swing rope training and recognize that we are generally bound by the operator boats (the helicopter is not available to us on this trip). I don't have a mask/fit test, so H2S platforms are also out. In terms of sampling various platforms, I think we are stuck on only able to do the ones that I have planned to do more comprehensive inspections, but we can discuss. I am familiar with a couple of the operators down there from last year and might be able to jump on a boat and make the rounds one day.

I know it's a bit rushed, but I am hopeful we can work something out! I didn't know about the BSEE sampling hang up, so that gives me a bit of a kick.

One more request:

- Do you, Greg or Amy or someone else, have the ability to pull any recent (+/- 2 year) sampling data from the following platforms?
- o Gail (Venoco)
- Grace (Venoco)
- o Elly (Beta)
- o (Eureka & Ellen discharge via Elly) (Beta)

Thanks! Colby

From: Wagner, Amy

Sent: Monday, February 27, 2017 12:51 PM

To: Tucker, Colby <Tucker.WilliamC@epa.gov>; Nagle, Greg <Nagle.Greg@epa.gov>

Subject: Re: Oil and Gas Platform Sampling March 6-10 Inspections

Hi Colby,

Sorry, I'm still out since I now have laryngitis, so talking may be a bit challenging for a couple more days. We do have an approved sampling plan from a couple years ago. There seems to be a snag with BOEMRE sampling since James Salmons has not been reimbursed for ice purchases in past years. I made some suggestions to Eugene but didn't hear back - I'll forward you the emails. It would probably be a good idea for you to sample in March - Greg has coolers prepared from last years based on chemical constituents for each platform.

A couple things we should discuss -

-Inspector's/sampler credentials for sampling

- -Moving forward on workplan with BOEMRE
- -Boat schedule you could sample many platforms without BOEMRE helicopters by jumping on the boats, but you will probably need rope swing training. Some of the sour gas platforms also require H2S training (I recall that Chevron provided training onsite).
- -How many samples/where you'll sample that week Regional Sample Control Coordinator (RSCC) form

Can we coordinate a call between you, Greg and I for Thursday this week? I'll be in the lab prepping/running samples Tuesday and Wednesday this week and I think Greg is in the field at least tomorrow.

Thanks, Amy

From: Tucker, Colby

Sent: Tuesday, February 21, 2017 1:33:09 PM

To: Wagner, Amy

Subject: Oil and Gas Platform Sampling March 6-10 Inspections

Hi Amy,

I am planning on inspecting some of the oil and gas platforms March 6-10. Can we have a conversation when you are back about sampling protocols and the possibilities of me taking samples?

Thanks,

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